OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.

HEADQUARTERS
No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

James H. Condit, D. D., General Missionary
Juneau, Alaska
January 22,1915

Mr.H.C.Olim.

156 5th Avenue, N.Y.

Dear Mr Olin:

In reply to your letter of December 24th relative to the division of the mission ground at Haines between hospital and church would say that I expect to take up the Haines matters at once and will visit the field as soon as Judge Gunnison can arrange to go with me there. I will then look up this matter as you suggest and endeavor to arrange a satisfactory settlement.

Without any information as to the cause for asking that the hospital be set off on a separate "reservation" I imagine that in the interests of harmony it will be better to give each contingent its own ground so that each may be independent of the other in administration. As I understand it, however, the mission reservation at Haines belongs to the Board of Home Missions and the setting aside of a portion of the ground for the use of the Woman's Board does not affect the title to the pottion fenced off. Am I correct in this?

By this mail I am sending a letter on a personal matter which is for you in your private capacity and not as treasurer.

Cordially Yours.

James A. Condit

February 1, 1915.

Rev. James H. Condit, D.D.,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

Your note of the twenty-second instant, in reply to mine of the twenty-fourth of December with regard to the division of the mission grounds at Haines between hospital and church, is at hand this morning, and we note that you will take up these Haines matters at once and will visit the field as soon as Judge Gunnison can arrange to go with you. This is all very satisfactory.

I agree with you as to the advisability of setting off a separate "reservation" for the hospital, and although the brethren - Dr. Craig and Dr. Winterberger - agree very nicely, it would be well to avoid any cause of friction by thus setting off the amount of land agreed upon by the two men in interest.

You are right as to the ownership of the Haines reservation and the setting off of a portion of the ground for the hospital under the Woman's board will not in any way affect the title.

Your personal letter is at hand this morning and I will reply under separate cover. I am glad you are once more on the ground. We shall feel easier about Alakan matters.

We hope there will be no serious return of your old enemy.

Very cordially,

HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

Mr Harvey C. Olin 156 Fifth Ave New York, N.Y. Haines, Alaska, Feb. 9 th. '15

My Dear Mr Olin: I have been considering most carefully the needs of the famm for the beginning of the work this summer. I have constantly had in thought the straightened condition of the Board and the possibility of making things go just as far as possible until I can prove that the farm can be made to

I have talked with Mr Falwoner of Kluckwan, and he says that we can arrange to have the use of the Kluckwan horse for the spring and fall heavy work, when we will need two horses. That will save the initial cost of the horse and the winter's feed. The two cows, will I feel confident pay for themselves in the

course of the first year or two.

The other items, I have given from catalogues. but without freight. The seed is estimated, it may be more or less. The fencing is simply for wire and staples, and is estimated. We may be able to get on with somewhat less. I count on having a man from April First to Nov. First. at

\$60.00 a month.

I am sure that I need not remind you that all of this, with the exception of the seed, sown and eaten, is in the nature of improvement. The implements will last for years, with reasonable care. I am also confident that we will realize from the summer's crops about double the amount paid the man. In other words I believe we will pay all expenses of running the farm and one half the outlay in tools.

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One man's hire for 7 months \$60. per month Total \$ 972

I am transmitting to Dr Condit a copy of this letter.

I trust this will appeal to yourself and the Board as being what we should have on the farm this summer. I believe it will be a good investment. I shall do all in my power to make the thing a success.

Very Sincerely.

E.C. Meinterlunger

In re Haines, Alaska.

April 8th, 1915.

Rev. E. L. Winterberger,

Haines, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Winterberger:-

You have in hand, no doubt, our letter dated March 23rd, relative to the funds necessary for the improvement of the farm. Dr. Condit will also have communicated wton you the contents of our letter of the same date to him, wherein it was said that the matter would be referred to the Finance Committee for final consideration.

I now beg to say, and I say it with great regret, that the Finance Committee, at its meeting on yesterday, while taking a most sympathetic view of the whole situation, yet, under the financial stress of the Board, could reach no other conclusion than that it would not be justified in authorizing the expenditure at the present time. As previously written, I regret exceedingly to have to be the messenger for the sending of this information, but it cannot be avoided under the present conditions.

We are just closing our fiscal year and shall increase our deficit by about \$114,000. making the deficit for the two years ending March 31st, approximately \$258,000. The Board has found it necessary to reduce estimates, as submitted by the Presbyteries for the various lines of work, more than 25%. You will see therefore, how impossible it is to make this grant at the present time.

I sincerely hope that you will not, as you suggested in one of your recent letters, mortgage your life insurance to raise funds with which to go on with the improvement of the farm, for it seems to us that you ought not to do such a thing. That intention on your part, however, indicates to us how strong is your belief that it will pay to develop this farm. We have no doubt of that whatever, but beg of you not to jeopardize your insurance for this purpose. If you can, without the appropriation being made, cultivate to advantage the land already cleared, no doubt you will do so, and I presume with some prefit. We should be glad to learn of your success in this direction.

As per your request, I am sending you herewith the balance of the appropriation of last summer, to be used for the purpose specified, that is, for the clearing of the land to such extent as it may cover.

Trusting that at some time in the not distant future, it may be possible to put in your hands the means with which to go on with this work. I am

Very cordially yours.

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JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY
JUNEAU, ALASKA

April 21,1915

Mr. H. C. Olin,

156 5th Avenue.

New York.

Dear Mr. Olin:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 8th inst., relative to the decision of the Finance Committee in re Haines farm project.

Mr. Winterberger accepts the logic of the situation with good grace but I know it is a great disappointment to him.

He assures me that he is going to go ahead, as best he may, at his own expense. I do not feel that he should borrow on his lefe insurance to carry on this work and have so written him, but as you suggest, this is very good evidence of his faith in the project.

The plan is an excellent one under Mr Winterberger's management, and I am sure that the matter will be kept in mind and also placed on the "preferred list" for future consideration.

We here in Alaska wish to accept our part of the burden of the deficit. In our Budget estimatews whave done our very best to eliminate all possible retrenchments from same. We hope and pray that the church will soon remove this burden of debt.

In our budget estimate no mention was made of the necessary buildings at Hydaburg. A house for the missionary will have to be provided, as the present rental arrangement is only temporary, one of the natives giving up his house to Mr Howe until a new one can be built. It is also necessary to provide a church building but I think that the natives, working together with Mr Howe will contributelargely toward that enterprise.

I have recently received a letter from a Mr.J.T.Harvey, of Ka Seward, Alaska, complaining that a balance of \$181 is due him for labor on the mission building at Knik built by Rev. T.P.Howard. Also enclosing a copy of a letter received from Mr Howard at the time that the contract was made. In this letter from Mr Howard it is specified that the wages of Mr Harvey shall be paid in part by provision for room and board, and that the balance shall be met from rentals of the building as it comes in. Mr Harvey represents that sufficient rentals have been received to pay his bill but that it has not been met.

I have written to Mr Harvey suggesting that he take up the matter with Mr Howard and report later if he gets no results. Inasmuch as Mr Howard is now in the states for an operation I am not able to address him directly as he did not leave me his address

but stated that his son would have charge of business matters in his absence. I have therefore written the son, enclosing Mr.Harvey's communication, together with a copy of Mr.Howard's letter engaging the services of Mr.Harvey, and also copies of my letters to each party, and have asked the son to submit the correspondence to his father and request that his letter and the rest of the correspondence be sent directly to your office. I do this because of my coming absence from my office here. The matter will doubtless be in your office by the time I reach the east.

I am enclosing my personal voucher for the month ending April 30th showing an incidental expense account of \$10.57. Will you kindly send check for the latter to my address in Seattle, viz., 5612 10th Ave., N.E., Seattle, Washington.

I am also enclosing a voucher for \$21.,gasolene for the "Lois", now temporarily in charge of Mr.Beck. Check should be sent to Rev. George Beck, Kake. Alaska. I have attached my "o.k." to this voucher inasmuch as it is a regular budget account.

We arein hopes that Mr.Childs will see his way clear to provide the Edison equipment for the "Lois" as by your-letter to him. This will decrease the estimate for repairs to "Lis" and "Star", as by this year's budget, in the sum newessary to purchase the same.

In this connection, would it not be advisable for the Board to take some formal action placing the mission boats under the supervision of the General Missionary? Heretofore there has been no careful supervision of these mission boats. I feel that there should be in the interest of economy of management and operation.

Also, would it not be well to specify that all preoperty of and of the Board in Alaska is under the same supervision and that and under notice to this effect be sent to the Stated Clerks for their quidance. This would simply be in line with the probable action of the Board in designating the General Missionary as one of the two joint agents for the Board in Alaska, as by the recommendation of Judge Gunnison.

Such an action would make clear the relation of the Home Mission Committee and the General Missionary in property matters

affecting the Board.

You will observe that in my report to Presbytery I have requested those operating mission boats to furnish me with data as to use of same covering miles travelled, places visited, and dates of trips. I feelthat the Board should have detailed information as to the use of mission boats. Heretofore there has been no accounting as to actual service of these boats beyong a general appropriation for fuel.

I have not worked put the details of the voucher which I would like for use in my office but will submit a form soon. I will also submit a form for boat reports as above suggested.

Cordially Yours,

James St. Condit.

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA

JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY

JUNEAU, ALASKA

August 11,1915

Mr. H.C.Olin.

156 5th Ave..

N.Y.

Dear Mr. Olin:

Two matters of business are referred to herein.

First, I enclose receipt for two months rent at Haidaburg, account of Rev. J.L. Howe, with requisition voucher for the ammont, viz., two months rent at \$8.00 per mo., \$16.00. with my "o.k.".

Secondly, Rev. E.L.Winterberger, of Haines, has referred the enclosed notice from the Board of Church Erection to me. It is a notice of insurance due on the "native church", since the year 1910-15, arrears of \$4.00, and for term 1916-20, in advance \$4.40, or a total due of \$8.80.

This evidently refers to the building now used as a "Social Hall". At the time of the building of this hall it was the purpose to have the building used for native church services but after being used for this purpose for some time the native people began to worship in the same house with the white people as is the case today. The building in the village has been in use for a number of years as a community house and the missionary is having trouble over such use which is now under process of adjustment.

Inasmuch as the title to this property is in the Board of Home Missions I am submitting the matter to you. Conditions are such at present at Haines among the native people that I am sure the bill can not be met by the native church. My thought is that under the arrangement by which the Home Board carries its own instrance there will be a way to adjust this claim.

Gordially Yours, James St. Condit.

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HENRY P. M. BIRKENBINE CIVIL ENGINEER

U.S. Deputy Surveyor and U.S. Mineral Surveyor Permanent Address: Haines, Alaska.

Aug. 23, 1915.

Dr. James H. Condit.

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir: -

Kindly allow me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 31, and to state that I took the matter up with Mr. Winterberger, immediately on my return to Haines.

Mr. Winterberger personally walked over the ground and discussed the matter with me and I now wish to reply as follows:-

The survey to include the subdivision of the missions land facing Main St. one lot deep of about 150 ft. depth, into such lots as Mr. Winterberger may direct, see plot marked No.1 on sketch. And the laying off of such additional tracts (irregular in form) as will include, the Haines School, Fairfield dwelling, the hospital church and manse. Under same direction see No.2 in red.

Each corner of each tract to be marked with a galvanized iron pipe capped and about three ft. long, and I to furnish three blueprints, of said work showing all dimensions in detail.

The cost of such a piece of work would be \$275.00 or I would like to accept the tract of land which the Mission own on the north side of the Government Wagon Road as payment at the rate of \$60.00 per acre, and should such area exceed the price of survey I to pay the balance in cash.

The tract of land is detached from the main piece of land by the government road, and because of its queer long narrow shape, likely would be the last part developed by the mission, the shape would add to the fencing cost per acre, and it would be necessary to spend some more y on drainage. The \$60. per acre I think is a good price for the land, and it contains about five and one half acres, as near as can be determined without a survey. I would further like to state that I do not want this land as a speculation but desire to build a home for myself and family upon it.

This letter is forwarded through Mr. Winterberger in order that he might place such indorsement thereon as he desires.

I wish to thank you for thinking of me in this matter, and hope that I may be able to offer you or the mission some favor in return.

Very respectfully.

(Signed) Henry P. M. Birkenbine.

uneau, Alaska, August 25,1915.

Mr. H.C.Olin,

156 5th Avenue,

N.Y.

Dear Mr. Olin:

This refers to two matters:

It is now over a year since I took up with the Board's Attorney, here, Judge R.F. Gunnison of Juneau, the matter of obtaining recognition of the Board's title from squatters at Haines. Before I went to Nushagak, last June. Judge Ginnison and I went to Skagway together to look up the records there, and it was the understanding at my leaving for Nushagak that the Judge would proceed at once to straighten up this title. He was to prepare a form of lease for signatures of the native occupants as well as secure some form of recognition from white squatters. In case it became necessary he was to enter suit against any of the latter who refused to recognize the Board's patent and title. When I came back from Nushagak I found that nothing had been done. It is important that this matter be adjusted at once. I have been urging the judge to take the matter up but without success thus far. He is a busy man but if unable to care for the Board's business should step aside and make way for some one who will.

I write to suggest the advisability of a letter from your office urging immediate action. I am leaving a letter to the same effect on the eve of my departure for Knik but think it advisable that a reminder come from your office.

Secondly: In requesting a settlement from the Lutherans at Petersburg for our church and manse there the minister in charge states that the Lutherans are now paying rent for the use

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of the church building. Have they paid actual cash in to the treasurer's office and if so at what rate of rental do they occupy the church building? Also, what amount have they paid in?

Cordially Yours,

Jaimes H. Condit

Haines, Alaska, Aug. 26, '15.

Rev. James H. Condit, D.D., Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

Birkenbine came in today and I told him what you desired also talked with him about that strip. He states that he wants it for a place to let his kids breathe. I suggested the possibility of one or two of the lots he is going to plot on Main Street, his reply is that if that was off the Mission would have all its ground in one block. I am convinced that he wants it for the same reason. I suggest the Mission hold it. He will write you soon. I also wrote Judge Gunnison.

Hanson the Hardware man, is looking for a lot, and would be ready to take up the matter of the purchase of a lot west of the church for the construction of a store and dwelling bombined. I think he would buy or lease for a term of years. Will the Board sell lots?

Kemmedy the new Postmaster of Haines proposed that I rent him the front room of the corner building and build him another building on the side for the Post Office and the small store he wants to run in connection with the office. He however has not said much lately so may have given it up. I think it unadvisable, besides I have rented the front room to Mrs. Tompkins who is going to run a delicatessen.

I will get \$5. per month instead of the present \$1.

I believe this winter will be better by far than last winter was. I trust all will go well on your trip.

Cordially.

(Signed) E. L. Winterberger.

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THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.



TERRITORY OF ALASKA

JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY

JUNEAU, ALASKA

September 18,1915

Mr. H.C.Olin, 156 5th Ave., N.Y.

Dear Mr. Olin:

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No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK

I am herewith enclosing two communications from Rev. E.L. Winterberger, of our Haines Mission.

Also a letter from Mr. Henry P.M.Birkenbine, a Civil Engineer of Haines, with sketch attached, in which he proposes to do the surveying of the mission grounds proposed in the plan of development for the sum of \$275.

Several matters are suggested in these communications regarding which I desire the advice of your office:

First; While I understand that according to the action of the Board Judge Gunnison and I are authorized to proceed along the lines suggested in our report respecting Haines, and while these recommendations include the proposed survey of the portion of the mission tract contiguous to the town of Haines, yet I deem it advisable to have the specific authorization of the Finance Committee for this expenditure of \$275. In my judgement the compensation asked is reasonable. Mr Berkinbine is competent. I would recommend that his proposition be accepted.

Secondly; Overtures have been made to Mr Winterberger looking toward the leasing or purchase of lots to be set off by this survey. Mr. Winterberger has sent me a copy of a note addressed to your office under date of September 16 setting forth such a proposition. The question arises as to the advisability of selling outright or of leasing tracts on the mission ground.

In my judgement it is advisable to lease rather than to sell. My reason for this is that at present the lots would bring very little. It would seem desirable to hold the ground for the present in anticipation of increased valuation. What is your judgement as to this?

The leasing proposition would have to be carefully considered before executing such leases and I am submitting the matter to Judge Gunnison for his personal attention in connection with his coming visit to Haines.

Third; I wish to call attention to the proposition of Mr Berkinbine to buy the fraction of the mission grounds which is situated on the right side of the government road running out of Haines as by the mission plot in your possession. The proposal is to accept this ground at the rate of \$60 per acre. Inasmuch as there are five and one-half acres in this fraction the sale of the same would provide sufficient money to pay for the survey.

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Mr. Winterberger advises against such sale on the ground that in his judgement the purpose of Mr Birkenbine in buying this fraction is for speculative purposes. He thinks that the strip will be valuable in the future because of its relation to the right of way of the railroad which it is thought will be built at some time from Haines to the Interior.

My opinion is that in view of the uncertainty as to the building of such a road for many years to come it would be advisable to sell this fraction in order to realize sufficient money to meet the cost of survey.

I am submitting this matter to Judge Gunnison, also, for his investigation and consideration at the time of his visit to Haines.

I am enclosing copies of my letters to Judge Gunnison and to Mr. Birkenbine bearing on the matter.

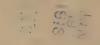
Will you kindly return the enclosed communications after they have been considered.

Cordially yours,

P.S.Until Ocotber 10th address me at 5612 10th Ave., N.E., Seattle, Washington.

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.



No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

Mr. H. C. Olin. Treasurer.

156 5th Avenue.

New York.

Dear Mr. Olin:

TERRITORY OF ALASKA JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY JUNEAU, ALASKA

January 13,1916

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I have decided to send in at once all contributions received for the Haines mission farm equipment. I enclose a draft for 36.80. New York exchange, to be credited to the special fund as indicated. Will you kindly give credit and send receipts to the following:

Rev. A.M. Williams, Green Lake Presbyterian Church, Seattle Wash. 3 9.05 Rev. John Beard, Hoquiam Presbyterian Church. Hoquiam. Washington. 12.00 " T.H. Simpson, Aberdeen " Aberdeen, Washington. 5.25 Womans' Presbyterial Mission Society, Mrs. L.M. Bliss, Treas., 4069 9th Ave., N.E., Seattle, Washington,

I am to visit North Yakima and Ellensburg, of this state, next Sunday. Everett and Snohomish on the 23d, and Westminster and Bethany churches of this city on Sunday the 30th. These are among the stronger churches of the vicinity and I think will respond more liberally than the places already visited. But I do not expect to be able to raise the amount needed in the time which I have at my disposal. I must get back to my Alaska work. It will be unfortunate if this maines enterprise can not be put on its feet before spring. Dr. McAfee has written me a kind letter in which he intimates that for so worthy a cause there may possibly be some way of providing the necessary funds. It is a proposition which is backed up by sound business considerations as I have indicated in my letters both to Mr. McAfee and Dr. Dixon. In helping this particular cause the Board will be helping itself inasmuch as it is a certainty that with proper equipment Mr. Winterberger will make the haines mission almost or entirely self supporting. I feel that

it is not putting it too emphatically to so assert.

I have made inquiry of an implement concern here in Seattle as to prices on farm implements and have a good rate offered. I will also look up prices on horse, cow, and other stock as I visit the outlying towns. As nearly as I can now estimate the budget is about as follows:

\$250 Strong young mare 125 Holstein cow 20 Pigs 64 Light wagon 30 Single work harness 18 Disc Harrow 6.50 8.10 Cultivator

This list is subject to revision but is near the mark. The figures on implements do not include the freight. On stock I have included freight in my estimate.

It would be an advantage if I might purchase these articles before returning to Alaska and attend to their shipping. I do not know whether it can be so arranged. I would like to leave for Juneau about the first of February.

Mr. Winterberger with insufficient equipment and other unfavorable conditions produced milk and vegetables to the amount in valuation of \$288. last summer. In addition he had out hay enough to feed his cow through the winter. He also has a young beef to butcher, and pigs and chickens. In short he has clearly demonstrated in one season the feasibility of the whole scheme.

I sincerely trust that we may be able to supply the necessary things for the coming season's work even though it may require a special appeal and grant.

Cordially yours.

James H. Condit.



Harvey C. Olin 155 Fifth Ave. New York, N.Y. Jan. 28,'16

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My Dear Mr Olin:-

I am enclosing a financial statement of the Farm during the past year. There is not much in it to indicate great hopes for a large net return for the coming year, unless the report fails to tell all.

However could you have seen the farm a year ago, and see it to day you would unquestionably say that something had been done. This does not show on the report. We have rearranged the fields so as to make their appearance and cultivation much more advantageous; We have built 60 rods of good fencing, posts three feet in the ground, ten feet apart, and strung with a 30" mesh wire below and two strands of barded wire on top. This is dog and hog proof fence. We built a chicken house of modern design capable of housing 40 hens, a pig pen for three good sized pigs, and a root house 14 x 26 feet with cold storage room of 6 x 8 feet with 1 and 1/2 ton ice storage room.

The root house was an absolute necessity, for we had no place to store even seed potatoes, to say nothing of supplies for the stock or for the Hospital. That it will serve our purposes admirably is attested by the fact that even in this very severe weather 12 O below zero with a gale blowing, a good sized lamp would supply enough heat to keep the temperature up to 38. The walls are 18 " stone put up with cement, six feet high. We will be able to store as much as 15 ton of roots and cabbage, besides having room for meats etc. In the Cold storage room.

The land is very much run down, owing to the lack of any rotation in crops by the previous renter, and the meage supply of fertilizer used. Last summer we began the correction of this defect. The fact of our not having any horse to use in cultivation, and other work made the bill for horse hire pretty high. If we had had a horse I am sure he would have almost paid for himself within the year. The cow I purchased for \$100. but turned the proceeds into the work. She more than paid for herself by the time we had to buy feed for her. We are now selling to the Hospital \$19.00 worth of milk per month.

The needs for the coming year are few, but obvious. We are in hopes that Dr Condit will be able to raise enough at Seattle to get us a horse, harness, wagon, disk harrow, and cultivator, If he gets these, we will try to advance the money for such labor as must be had for fertilizer, and a cow. This will mean a total expenditure of about \$500. Our seed is donated by Mr Cummings of Sioux City Iowa.

If we could raise two beeves, three 150# pigs and 50 chickens we could sell them all to the Hospital, at who sale prices and save the Hospital money, and make money for the farm. The school at Sitka can use 15 ton of potatoes and about 2 ton of other vegetables. These we expect to supply this summer.

We will have to put up about 100 rods of fencing this summer for line fence and for pasturage. We hope to clear an acre or two and break it up for oats or barley. Last year we raised our hay on the place. This year we hope to raise much more.

Another matter is that of the building on the corner, formerly used by the Haines Reading room, and Democratic Club. This organization has then leave, with four months rental due, and I have improved the front room, fitting it up for a bakery. The improvements consisted of water and sewer connection with sink, and wall board with paint for about one half of the front part. This expense amounted to about \$56. as per enclosed statements. For this room I am now getting \$5. per month, and Mrs Tompkins, who rents it, wants the remainder of the building with a toilet and will pay \$10. per month. I am thinking of letting her have it. The rental will pay for improvements within the year, and give the Board a better building, and if continued, some income after the improvements are paid for.

Haines. I receive a note of hope in response to every appeal I make saying that the good judge will be here, but on the boat on which I expect him I always get the encouraging word that he has been detained He has advanced to the point where he has sent me a type written copy of the leases for my inspection. I figure that he will be delayed about three times on account of the failure of the printer to get the leases printed (and he could not come without them); then about two excuses for cases in court or Grand Jury work, and summer will come, with vacation and attention to this matter the first thing in the fall. Beyond that I can easily conjecture but your time is valuable.

On account of the Indians' desire to cut down the wood on the Mission I have been in hopes that he would come and set them right. In the meantime I am doing the best I can to keep them from cutting any green woodd. It is a thankless task from some standpoints.

I trust this coming year will prove a good one so far as the farm and the general work here is concerned, and that we may show something on the right side of the ledger.

Cordially Yours.

E.C. Wruterberger

Lumber 1.25 Hardware 40.00

Feed 15.00 Total \$ 60.25

Two toms Potatoes One ton seed in root house

Respectfully Submitted

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In re Haines, Alaska.

February 5th, 1916.

Rev. J. H. Condit. D.D.

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Dr. Condit:-

Referring once more to your favor of January 13th, with especial reference to the funds necessary for the improvements of the farm et Haines. I beg to say that this matter was brought to the attention of our Finance Committee at its meeting last week, was very carefully and sympathetically considered, with the final result that it was recommended that this item be included in the budget for the Presbytery of Alaska for next year (less of course, whatever you may raise personally for this account), and that if it was necessary to advance the money before the budget was thoroughly considered by Presbytery and the office, such action would be taken, on the understanding that a special grant would be made if the budget could not be made to cover the same.

With this encouragement, in think you saying to Mr. Winterberger that the equipment which you have described and outlined, amounting to \$526.60, can be acquired, although I should advise postponing the asking for the funds to as late a date in the spring as possible without jeopardizing the spring work.

We shall rejoice with you in the practical example which this will be to both our Indian and white friends for the cultivation of farming land in Alaska.

Very cordially yours.

Treasurer.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.

HEADQUARTERS
No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY

JUNEAU, ALASKA

February 15.1916

Mr. H.C.Olin.

156 5th Avenue.

N.Y.

Dear Mr Olin:

I am herewith enclosing two vouchers with my "o.k"

and the following explanations:

(1) Marsden's request has to do with the amount allowed by the Board for annual rental of the hall in Ketchikan used by the Tsimpsean people. It is included in our last year's

Alaska Presbytery budget and is regular.

(2) Winterberger's farm enterprise has been under consideration by the Board for some time. It is not included in our Alaska Presbytery budget. I take it for granted that the appropriation already made for tiling, etc., was provided for outside of regular Board funds inasmuch as it was not included in the Presbyterial estimate. Or did that amount come from the Woman's Board?

I hereby approve of the requisition after consultation with the two members of the Home Mission Committee here in Juneau. In such approval, however, I record the condition attached to the acquiescence of one of the Com., viz., "it is understood that this grant will in no way affect the appropriation for the regular mission work of the Presbytery already undertaken. In this I also concur. It would be manifestly unfair to cut off any feature of our work already under way or to cripple the same in deference to this new enterprise.

Mr Winterberger has furnished you with an estimate of cost of equipping and maintaining the farm for one year, approximately \$972 for equipment and \$420 wages for a man for seven months, or a total of \$1392. In view of your office having already been furnished with a copy of this estimate I will not send the copy which I have, as voucher, as indicated at the beginning of this letter, but simply

record my approval.

In support of this enterprise I would offer the following arguments:

(a) It is an investment rather than a grant.

I consider that the returns which will accrue from such investment will make Haines Mission self supporting in a short time.

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(b) It will be an object lesson to the natives

(c) It will almost immediately become a valuable adjunct of the hospital in the furnishing of much needed farm products, milk, eggs, vegetables, etc.

(d) The mission property at Haines will in time be a very valuable asset. The cultivation of the tract will

enhance its future value.

(e) This tract is the only promising agricultural tract now under control of our Board in S.E. Alaska. Already a large silo has been constructed and much money spent in clearing, fencing, draining, and breaking ground. Up to date the Board has received a very small return from its outlay. It is time nowfor the Board to realize more but in order to do so it must invest a little more.

(f) We now have in the person of Mr Winterberger an ideal manager for such an enterprise. He is competent for such work, is enthusiastic in the possibilities of the same and thoroughly believes that he can make the mission self supporting by means of farming the acreage already cleared and much of it broken. I believe he is right. Already Haines rutabagas are known favorably in Seattle and last fall while I was in the city were bringing a higher price than any home grown articles. The Sitka school is a large purchaser of outside vegetables and would turn its patronage to Haines. In addition there is at Juneau and elsewhere a ready market for all that can be produced. I consider this a sound business proposition even if the money should be borrowed to put the enterprise on its feet.

The relation of the farm to the Hospital should be definitely determined at the outset. The control should be definitely in the Board of Missions and under the supervision of the missionary in charge. All supplies furnished to the Hospital should be regularly accounted for and agreed compensation allowed for same. The supervision of the entire tract, including the oversight of the wood cut and used in the hospital should be in the hands of the missionary in charge. He should arrange for the cutting and hauling of the wood used in the hospital as well as elsewhere. A man hired as farm hand could thus find employment in winter and the mission team be employed as well. At present I understand that Dr Craig is overseeing this and I know that the hauling is done by outside parties.

The matter of this appropriation must be attended to at once if this season's farming is to be undertaken. There will be but scant time to arrange for the purchase of team, farm implements, seed, etc., and to employ a suitable man for farm hand. Some one would have to be found in Seattle or vicinity to act as purchasing agent in the matter of horse, cows, and to secure a thoroughly

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reliable man for assistant. This man should be a christian and competent but should not be engaged with the idea of making him a farm manager. Mr Winterberger should be the superintendent. I believe could find such a man in my former parish at North Yakima, Washington and could also be able to select the stock needed there in case it would seem advisable to the Board for me to incur the expense of a trip to that point. I have had some experience in farming and know something about horses and stock.

This expense could be avoided if the Board has in mind anyone

who could act as agent in Seattle.

Cordially Yours,

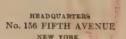
James M. Condit.

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA
JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY
JUNEAU, ALASKA

February 18,1916

Mr. H.C.Olin, 156 5th Avenue, N.Y. Dear Mr. Olin:

In my itineration in the interest of the Haines farm I have visited the following churches:

Seattle.

Green Lake, University, Bethany, Westminster, First, Madrona.

Hoquiam, First and Second

Aberdeen

Snohomish

Everett and Y.M.C.A.

Renton

I have received and remitted as follows: Seattle Green Lake \$9.05 " Presbyterial Society 10.50 " Mrs. Diven 2.00 12.00 Hoquiam 5.25 Aberdeen Snohomish 4.50 Everett 19.00 2.27 " Y.M.C.A.

\$ 64.57

Churches to remit directly to you:

Seattle, University 10.00

Bethany 15.00

Sioux City, Iowa, 3d Church, 25.00

Total raised

50.00 \$114.57

In addition to the above I have been promised offerings for this special cause from the men's class of the Westminster Church, and from some of the classes in the First Church, of their respective Sunday Schools, each located here in Seattle.

If offerings are received from either of these schools will you kindly notify me as to the amount.

I have selected the implements needed for the farm from the Polson Implement Company of this place. Mr. Winterberger will order them as needed and will instruct the firm to send their bill to you.

I have modified the estimated list of implements in accord with recent suggestions received from Mr. Winterberger adding two articles not before included and selecting a cheaper wagon which will do the work better. The new arrangement totals less than the former estimate for implements and leaves a balance which will be sufficient to cover the freight charges, I think.

As I am leaving for Juneau in the morning I can not select the horse cow and pigs wanted by Mr. Winterberger personally. On recommendation of

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Mr. Burwell, of the Seattle Hardware Co., of this place, who is a personal acquaintace of mine here and a member of the First Congregational Church, I am arranging with the Polson Co., from whom we are buying the implements to act as agent for the Board in the purchase and shipment of the horse, cow, and pigs. They have consented to act thus for the Board and have good opportunities to purchase the stock in their travels through the country in the interests of their business.

I will write a letter to the Polson people setting forth the conditions of this latter business after seeing them this afternoon and will send you a copy. I believe them to reliable.

I am rejoiced that the Finance Committee has seen its way clear to make this grant for the Haines farm. It is a good cause and based on sound business principles as well as being a valuable spiritual investment.

The only regret that I have personally in the matter is that I did not succeed in raising more money for the cause but I at least have this satisfaction that I worked hard at it. The churches here are overwhelmed with pleas for many meritorious causes outside of the regular lines. Also, they do not have the vision of the world call of the church and of Christ of today. I hope that I helped to interest some in our Alaska work who have not contributed to it and that the effort will bear fruit in the future.

I enclose with my "o.k." Edward Marsden's expense bill for January in visiting Kasaan, two visits, \$11.60, each, \$23.20.

A recent letter from Mr. Stevens, of Juneau, brings the pleasant news that the Alaska Gastineaux Co., owning and operating the great quartz mine at Thane where we have placed Mr. Buchanan, has promised to give a lot for a manse at that point and also to furnish the lumber for its construction. The Superintendent also held out some promise as to connecting the house with the company's heating plant.

This leaves us with the problem of the construction of a manse for our missioary at Thane. As you know Mr Buchanan is now living in a rented house at Juneau which is three miles from Thane and the Board is paying \$30 per month rental for the same. In the interest of economy as well as of the successful prosecution of his work he must be housed at Thane where he can get at the approximately 1,000 men employed there in a social way. Inasmuch as the company has made this liberal offer I trust that we may speedily arrange for the additional amount needed to pay for the labor and furnishings. I will communicate with you again as to this scon after reaching Juneau. I write at this time that the matter may be under consideration.

Cordially yours.

James N. Condit.

Juneau Alaska, February 18.1916.

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Mesers. Childs and Co.

529 Central Building.

Seattle Washington.

Gentlemen:

In order that we may have a common understanding as to the service which our Board of Home Missions of 150 5th Avenue, N.Y., desires from you I am writing this letter, a copy of which will be sent to our Treasurer. Ar. H.C.Olin, 156 5th Avenue, N.Y.

there, the Nev. S.L. intorberger, the following:

One mare, weight from 1200 to 1500 proferably the latter, and not there than five years, sound and well broken. It is the purpose to work this high to single wagon and use her for all around work or a fine. I have arranged for a set of single harness from Folson Implement Co. or this city, which about to the animal before she is shirted. It is as ecisal, important that the color be properly fitted.

One con good grade cow folstein referred or any other large our for milking purposes, which will freshen about July first. To want a your con to can be guaranteed as a good milker.

Two two months old pi's of good bread which can be much to will 200 pounds by Thanksgiving and intended for stan bter at that time.

We would want this stock shipped about the first of april.

Remittance for the same will be made through our Transmirer in .Y. as by address above, upon presentation of bills.

I would suggest that the rolson people may be able to help in securit about such and als as a mont as I have had considerable convergation with the law on the law of the law of the law of the selves as willing to co-operate in securing these animals. In little was and who are farming and may have what we want.

So far as price is concerned we would be willing to pay 100 to 200 for a horse, if necessary to pay that amount and 90 to 125 for a good cow if it is necessary to give that such. The pi's will probably cost in the neighbor so. If \$5 each.

Yours sincerely.

James .. Condit Weneral Jas oner; Tancau Alas M.

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JUNEAU, ALASKA

5612 10th N.E., Seattle. February 18,1916.

Mr. H.C.Olin, 156 5th Ave..

N.Y.

Dear Mr. Olin:

Continuing the matter of the purchase of stock for the Haines farm, regarding which I wrote you this morning, I would say that I have arranged with a purchasing company of this place to act as agent for the Board in securing the animals. I enclose the business card of this company, the A.C.Childs Purchasing Co.,529 Central Building, Seattle.

This company will co-operate with the Polson Implement Co., of whom we are getting the farm implements. They are recommended to me as reliable.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I submitted to Mr. Frattinger of this concern setting forth the conditions of purchase. It is stipulated that the shipment shall be made about the first of April. The farm machinery will not be needed until some little time after this but it will not be long after until it will be needed. In fact it is likely that the wagon and harness will have to go with the horse.

The Polson Implement Co. are to furnish the following implements, at prices stipulated, when called for by Mr. Winterberger:

- No 22 Steel wheel farm truck w/4" tired wheels and shafts	426 -
- No 324 lever handle spray pump	3 -
No 2 Hocking Valley root cutter w handle, no pulley.	13
New Imperial Disc harrow w/scrapers and foretruck,	
w/ 10-16" disc and two horse hitch	28 -
No 360 25-tooth one section Imperial spike tooth harrow	5.85
No 9 Planet Jr. horse hoe and wheel	7.85
Harness and collar	35. \$118.70

I have asked Mr. Frattinger to correspond with you as to the farther conduct of this business and he is to ascertain freight charges to Haines and include in his bill the usual commission paid for such services so that the shipment may be clear of farther charges when it reached Haines.

I have indicated the prices we are willing to pay and believe that the total, including freight charges and commission will come safely within the amount of the estimate which I furnished some time ago, viz, \$526.60.

Cordially yours.

James H. Condit.

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M. B. Stout Attorney at Law Haines, Alaska

Haines Alaska, Feb-26th-1916.

Presbyterian Borad of Home Missions

New York City N.Y.

Gentlemen :-

About the month of September, 1915, Your Mr, Winterberger of this place, gave permission to One H.G. Hanson to build a Powder

house, that is, a house for storing powder in on a little corner of your Missian property and ner the corner of my land and right on the line between you land and mine, and Mr Winterberger disregarded my remonstrance against the building of the powder house at that

My objections to having the house at that place is that it inplace. terferes with my occurrence to your land adjoining it. I have quite a little clearing to do so near the powder house that it makes it very dangerous to blast the stumps out which I will have to do.

I have a small house within fifty feet of the house in question I have a small house within fifty feet of the house in present land.

and no one would rent it while the pewder house is in it present 1 le tion. It is also, so near the only way I have of ingress or egress to my place it consider it dangerous, as at times there is large

quantities of Giant and black powder stored there.

I protested vigorously against the house being placed there,
but Mr. Winterberger totally disregarded my protests and allewed Mr. Hanger to build there, when he could have given him permission to Luile further away from my land, and would have been just as handy fer Mr, Hanson and of no more injury to your Mission preperty.

Hoping that you will invetigate this matter, and at you earliest convenience have the powder house removed from where it interfers with my rights, as I shall certainly insist upon those rights,

I am very respectfully yours,

E.G. Cidan

Haines, Alaska, Feb. 26th, 1916.

Presbyterian Board of Home Missions,
New York City, N. Y.

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About the month of September 1915, your Mr. Winterberger of this place, gave permission to one, H. G. Hanson, to build a Powder House, that is, a house for storing powder in on a little corner of your Mission property and near the corner of my land and right on the line between your land and mine, and Mr. Winterberger disregarded my remonstrance against the building of the powder house at that place.

My objections to having the house at that place is, that it interferes with my occupancy of my land adjoining it. I have quite a little clearing to do, so near the Powder House that it makes it very dangerous to blast the stumps out which I will have to do.

I have a small house within fifty feet of the house in question and no one would rent it while the powder house is in its present location. It is also, so near the only way I have of ingress or egress to my place that I consider it dangerous, as at times there is large quantities of giant and black powder stored there.

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Hoping that you will investigate this matter, and at your earliest convenience have the powder house removed from where it interferes with my rights, as I shall certainly insist upon those rights.

I am very respectfully yours, (Signed) E. A. Adams.

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March 2nd, 1916.

Rev. E. L. Winterberger,

Haines, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Winterberger:-

Your letter dated January 28th, giving definite statement of the farm during the year ending December 31st, came duly to hand some time since and should have had recognition before this time. We have desired, however, to talk the matter over before making definite reply thereto.

I now take pleasure in saying that we are very much pleased with the outcome of your work during the year. It shows, it seems to us, first rate financial and farming management, and we trust that with the greater facilities placed at your disposal this coming year, equally or proportionately good things may be shown. We congratulate you and ourselves that some one is now in charge of the Haines Farm who shows an appreciation of the problem, and who is capable of carrying out wise plans.

Before this time you will have heard from Dr. Condit that the Finance Committee of the Board has authorized the expenditure for necessary facilities, together with the animals thought to be necessary, to the extent of a little over \$500., and he will have written you as to what he has done in Seattle toward providing these items.

Now as to the account: We notice that it shows a deficit of \$80.85, with outstanding bills of \$60.25 and two tons of potatoes and one ton of seed, the former probably to be sold, and the latter to be held for planting in the spring. What shall we understand by this? That is, do you wish us to remit you for the deficit, or, is it your intention to work it out in the coming year? We do not wish you to be hampered by a shortage.

We are proposing now to open a Haines Farm account, and shall be glad of your report, say once a quarter, in order that we may keep the account up to date.

We note the disposition of the building on the corner formerly used by the Haines Reading Room and Democratic Club, and that you have rented it. Ester some repairs, to a Mrs. Tompkins for a bakery, for which you will ultimately receive \$10.00 per month. This would seem to be a wise disposition of the property. As to this also, do you propose to carry along the expense account until the rent wipes it out?

We are greatly disappointed that Judge Gunnison is moving so slowly in his following up of the matter of the leases. We have written him more than once, and unless prompt action is taken within the next month or two, we must look to some one else for that service. Dr. Condit is impatient as well, and I think will keep after the Judge until one thing or the other happens, either that he will do the work, or that he will ask that some other attorney be appointed.

May we hear from you at your early convenience as to the financial questions asked?

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

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In re Haines Farm

March 3rd, 1916.

Rev. James H. Condit, D.D.,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

Let me, in this communication, acknowledge receipt of your two favors of the 18th ultime, both relating to the Haines Farm, the first one relating especially to the funds gathered in your recent addresses to the various churches, and the prospects to come from such visits. We hope that large returns may show before the results of the campaign are over.

We have received, thus far on this account, contributions as follows:

Seattle, Green Lake Church,	\$9.05
Hoquiam Church,	.12.00
Aberdeen Church,	5.25
Seattle, Women's Presbyterial Society,	10.50
Everett First Church,	.19.00
7 Y.M. G.A.,	2.27
Mrs. M. N. Divon,	. 2.00
	\$60.07

Now as to your estimate of implements, etc., and your arrangement with the Polson and Childs people for furnishing these supplies and purchasing the animals required, these would seem to cover the case most wisely, and we hope they will work out successfully, as per your plans. We will take care of the drafts upon us by these purchasing agencies, and will see that they are promptly met.

We are remitting to Edward Marsden his expense bills in January in visiting Kasaan, two visits, amounting to \$23.20.

We have already written you with regard to the proposed Manse at Thane so that I do not need to touch upon that part of your letter again in this communication.

Expecting to hear from you after you reach Juneau, with regard to the Manse, I am, with all cordial regards.

Yours sincerely.

HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

March, 10,'16

Mr Harvey C. Olin 156 Fifth Ave. New York N.Y.

My Dear Mr Olin;

The news of the Board's action in regard to the Haines farm has cheered the heart of the farmer very much. It is very gratifying to know that we are to have the horse and tools to do the work this summer. I am confident that we can make a better showing than we did last year.

I am enclosing order on the Polson Implemement Co of Seattle Wash. as per instructions from Rev. James H. Condit D.D our General Missionary, who has had correspondence with you relative to this matter. I regret that we cannot delay the purchase of the tools until later, but they should be here on the same boat with the animals, as we will then have need of them all.

I have given consent to one of the ranchers living within the limits of Haines to lease 2-5 acres of the Mission ground for the purpose of pasturing some pigs and cows. The section desired is brush, without any timber, and the consideration I have mentioned is \$5. per acre per year for a five year term. He to build a wire fence, hog and stock proof along the main read, and a stock proof fence on the other sides; all of which is to revert to the Mission at the expiration of the lease. He is also to have the privelege of clearing and cultivating the same or any portion thereof during that period.

I have no doubt that you will ask the question as to whether this man has signed a lease. He has not, and that makess emphatic the fact that the Board's Attorney has not as yet visited Haines. Of course I have said to him that such a lease will be forthcoming, but I "ha me doots about it" so long as the present incumbent holds down the job. I do not know what the Board is going or has done about it, but it seems to me that some action ought to be taken to get Judge Gunnison to act. My compliments to a man who can spend two years doing a job that should have been completed in two months. As I mentioned in my last letter to you I have also arranged with Mrs Tompkins for more of the corner building and for a doubling of the rental charge, making it \$10. per month. She too should have a lease drawn, but said Judgehas not appeared. Is there no possibility of getting action in these particulars?

With hearty thanks to the Finance committe for the appropriation for the tools and animals, I am,

Cordially Yours.

E. S. Wuntuberger

HAINES MISSION (PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

March.10, '16

Polson Implement Co. Seattle, Wash. c/o Mr Clayton Dewolf.

Dear Sirs:-

Iam writing you concerning an order for farming tools made by the Rev. James H. Condit D.D. to be shipped to the Haines Mission c/o Rev. E.L.Winterberger. You will please to ship the same via the Alaska Steamship Co unless some other arrangement has been made by the Rev. Condit.

The following is the list with prices given to me in a letter dated Jan. 7, '16

No	22 Steel	wheel	farm tr	uckw/4"	tired	wheels,	shafts	REE
	de	reke-		,				\$26.
No	324 leve:	r handl	e spray	pump				3.
No	2 Hockin	g Valle	t root	cutter	with he	indle, no	pulley	13.
Nev	Imperia	l disk	harrow	w/scrap	ers and	foretru	ck,	
	w/10-16"	disk a	nd two	horse h	itch			28.
No	360 25-t	ooth on	e secti	on Impe	rial sp	ike toot	h harro	w 5.85
No	9 Planet	Jr. h	orse ho	e and w	heel			7.85
Har	ness and	collar	(Sing)	e)				35.
					To	tal		\$ 118.76

It is understood that the harness and collar is to be fitted to a horse, to be purchased and shipped by the A.C.Childs Furchasing Co. 529 Central Building, Seattle Wash. These articles will therefore be held subject to the order of the Childs Co.

You will receive word from the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board in New York, Mr Harvey C. Olin, as to whether the goods are to be shipped prepaid or not.

Yours Truly.

F.L. Wintuberger

Rev James H. Condit D.D.

Juneau, Alabka.

i war or londit: - You will recall your own observation of the social sall at sines, les our conversation relative therto at the last meeting of resbytery. hen you saw the building it w s in gala attire, and not an uncoming place for a meeting such as we held. Sould on have seen it toda, with the floor on sed in laces and the roof open almost all around, the paper hanging in streamers from the roof and sides, and all more or less souled from the rains you would have sail, 'by cambererth it the ground, raze it'. and I orld have agreed with you. At aske, the old man who sold the building to the band, wants to ug it and will pay 160. for it.

ne has a reed to say one hundred down when the parent are given him, and the remaining fifty at the close of the present fishing association will be about - ot. /*

I would therefore sugg at that you take up the matter with the Church rection word, as I suppose that is the agency thru which the grant was made, and see if the matter cannot be arranged specially. The building is worth about that the lumber rould bring when it is torn down; or rather the lumber would just about pay for wrocking. the lot in worth about 15. So that the board would be in about 125. if it sells now, if not in two years it will have lost the chance to sell at that figure.

The old man says that he wants it for a home in his old age. If we are to use it as a soial hall we would ave to spend as much on the old building to got it in equir as we would have to spend for a new one. And the old building is unsuited to the use we would

want to make of such a building, as you can well lasging.

If the band buy it of Lasko, they may use it an they have use: it for the past years, but our res onsibility will have de sed in the matter and we will not have any trouble about what they do there. So that , everything considered, I am in favor of disjosing of the property to Kasko.

(signes) E. L. Winterbriger Hairus, alasta

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JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY

April 20 1916

ir. H. C. Olin.

156 5th Avenue.

New York.

Dear Mr. Olin:

The enclosed copy is from Mr. Winterberger and has to do with purchased the building in the native village at Haines which was first built as a church structure for the natives. Afterwards the native people were taken into the building used by both whites and natives for worship and the village building was converted into a social hall.

The use of this building has been the source of much controversy and trouble. It is in bad repair. I consider it advisable that it be sold and also consider the price offered as fair. It will not bring more in my judgement.

It appears that this property was purchased by the Board of Church Erection. At least a bill for insurance came from that source to Mr. Winterberger.

Will you kindly take the matter up with the Board of Church Erection, if the latter surmise be correct. If the necessary authority and papers are sent to me I will see that the sale is made in regular form.

It might be well, also, to call the attention of the Board of Church Erection to the fact that I will be in Anchorage and Knik this summer and if it is desired that I should take any action looking to an adjustment of matters at Knik I should be given instructions.

Cordially yours,

(encl osure)

James M. Condit.

BEDFORD-MCNEIL
A. B. C.
WESTERN UNION

GUNNISON & ROBERTSON

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW

ROYAL A. GUNNISON RALPH E. ROBERTSON 101-7 BECKER BUILDING

JUNEAU, ALASKA

May 13, 1916.

The Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Attention Mr. H. C. Olin

Gentlemen:

RE WIDENING STREET

While in Haines recently attending to the matter of leases for parcels of land on the Boards property, a committee of citizens consisting of H. J. Weitzman, R. M. O'dell and Joseph Chisel, called on the writer and asked him to ask the Board to grant a portion of their property along Main street to the Town for the purpose of widening that street. Mr Weitzman who was spokesman for the Committee recited a good deal of early history about a former promise of a representative of the Board made at the time Mr. Warren was missionary in charge, to give 50 feet to the city for that street. As we knew the whole history of this and the reason why the Board revoked its promise if it ever had amounted to a promise, we allowed Mr. Weitzman to make his statement in full and then told him the reason why the Board declined to carry out the program outlined, the reason being that, he, Weitzman and some other citizens had started in to jump the Board's ground after it had moved its fences back. This he denied very vigorously when I mentioned it, but I have every reason to believe that it is true nevertheless. Then some of the members of the committee suggested that it might be better to let by-gones be by-gones and that it would be to the advantage of the town to have the street wider. I told them that I had no authority to make any promise for the Board nor would I do so; that I realized the wider the streets were the better it was for the town. This however, I said was axiomatic and was not to be taken as indicatating what I would recommend to the Board.

There is no doubt in my mind but that at the present time Main Street which is the street that runs directly back from the water and finally developes into the Porcupine Road, is sufficiently wide for all purposes of the town at this time but I can see that if the town should ever develop it might be to the advantage of all concerned to have a wider street. I talked with Mr. Winterberger and Dr. Condit on this subject and I think that the street for one or two blocks could be widened by the Board giving 10 ft or so off its northerly side without doing any damage at all. Infact, I am inclined to think it might be a good ide to do so. This will bring the street line or side walk line up to the edge of the steps of the church and would require the cutting off of the front 10 ft. of the shack now used by Mrs. Tompkins as a bakery on lot 1, in block 1. This ought not to be done. however, unless the town itself would agree to move all the josts and put in the side walk and also pay the expense of changing the building on the corner, that is, the Tompkins bakery.

I am not making this as a recommendation at this time but am submitting it to you for your consideration.

Your very truly, GUNNISON & POSITION, By a yall to the second

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101-7 DECKER BUILDING JUNEAU, ALASKA

May 13, 1916.

The Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

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Attention Mr. H. C. Olin

Gentlemen:

IN RE HAINES MISSION (Alaska)

Reporting on the recent visit of the writer to Haines and the settlement of various matters between the Board and the squatters on the Board's land, we beg to say:

That the writer arrived in Haines early Monday morning, Maylst, A conference over the various matters in question was had with Rev. Mr. Winterberger, your representative in charge at Haines. Mr. Winterberger was most kind and to him is due a very considerable part of the successful outcome of the trip.

The following matters were considered:

1. Social Hall on Front Street.

2. Location of Hanson Powder House.

3. Lease of small tract for pasturage. 4. Matter of preserving the timber.

5. Matter of leases of lots within tract.
6. As to Towns occupancy of land for school and fire station.
7. White mens occupancy of portions of tract.

A subdivisional survey of various portions of the tract now occupied by the Town, by Whites and Matives had been made by Mr.Birk-inbine in November, 1915, as you know. After discussing the various natters, it was decided to call a meeting of the matives in the Church for that evening and talk to them when all were together and that we, Mr. Winterberger and the writer, should call on the Mayor am members of the Town council and see as many as rossible of the white men who were on the tract.

For brevity and a clearer discussion of the various subjects in hand, we shall take them up one at a time:

- 1. Social Hall on Front Street. This was sold to an old native named Kaska for \$150.00, terms \$100.00 down and \$50.00 on or before october 1st, a deed to be given him when be makes final payment. We are writting you fully under separate cover as to this matter as there seems to be some doubt as to whether this Board or the Boarl of Church Erection is the owner of the tract. Please refer to our letter of even date reporting fully on this matter.
- 2. Location of the Hanson Powder House: The writer investigated this matter fully and arrived at the conclusion that the complaint made by Mr. Adams was without any justification. facts as gathered, are, that the Powder House when owned by

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Mr. Vogel stood for years upon the ground now claimed by Adams and within a short distance, say 35 or 40 feet of where it now stands on the Board's property. When Mr. Hanson bought out Mr. Vogel, Mr. Adams told Mr. Hanson he would charge him \$10.00 a month, as ground rental. This is an absurd figure. Thereupon Mr. Hanson obtained permission, as we understand, from Mr. Winterberger, to move the building, which is about 12 or 14 feet square and is built of wooden frame and galvanized iron sheeting, a short distance to a place upon the Board's property, near the Boards line and about 30 feet from the Road. There is absolutely no danger to any building or property of Adams. The nearest house belongs to a Mr. Vermeire, approximately 100 yards away. He said he had no objection to it remaining where it is now, and that if Mr. Hanson would build another house outside it and fill the space with sand, that there was no danger at all. Beliving that the complaint of Mr. Adams is without foundation and that any adjustment of the matter that Mr. Winterberger would make would be alright, we personally took no action, leaving it for Mr. Winterberger to adjust. It lessens the prestige of the man on the ground to even seem to take matters out of his hands, so we recommend in view of the facts that Mr. Winterberger handle the powder house situation.

- 3. Lea e of small tract for Pasturage: Mr. Henry Vermeire, a thrifty farmer living on the Porcupine Government Road, desired to lease about an acre of the brush land along the so th side of the road, just outside the Town limits for a root house site and a hog run. After investigation, he being a good friend of the Board and an industrious sort of person, and Mr. Winterberger, recommending the matter, we decided to give him a lease for a tract 300 feet long by about 150 feet deep for a period of 5 years at \$5.00 per year. We are forwarding under separate cover copy of lease given Mr. Vermeire. This tract will be shown on the plat of the tract and a blue print will be sent you.
- thoroughly as possible without going into the timber. We learned that practically all the timber suitable for piling has been cut. However, a very considerable part of the tract is still covered with brush, and standing timber suitable for fire wood, and there is upon the ground quite a quantity of "down" timber, pieces or sections of trees felled by natives and Whites and left lying on the ground after taking out the best of the tree. Then there are many tops and slashings, i.e. formerly slashed off, from portions cut out. Our information is that the down timber still on the ground is suitable for fire wood. It is a temptation to the Natives and Whites to go on the tract to get it and when once on, they cut standing timber; the down timber and slashings are an injury to the growing timber and we would recommend that Mr. Winterberger or the Doctor in charge of the Hospital be authorized to employ a small crew of men to cut up and take out the "down" and dying timber and the slashings, and store it for firewood for the Mission

and the Hospital. We understand that the amount of down timber and value as cordwood, warrants this. We have, we think, made them understand that this timber both standing and down is the property of the Board and is not to be taken or used by them. This will be discussed more fully under the next sub-head.

5. Natives Leases of Lots within the Tract: At the time the writer reached waines there were fifteen of the lots on Main Street oc upied by Natives. There were some ten of these natives or members of their families in town. It was arranged between or. Winterberger and the writer that a meeting of the Natives should be called at the church the first night, and at the hour fixedMr. Winterberger and I with the interpreter, were present. large number of the Matives, many that did not even live on the tract, were present. The lessewas explained to them through the interpreter and we also told the Natives that this lease did not include the use if the timber standing, or down which might be on the tract; that the timber belonged to the Board, and that the Board had need of it for work; therefore no one would be Board had need of it for work; therefore mo one would be allowed to carry it away. After explaining the lesse fully and making a statement about the timber, we had to attend a meeting of the Town council which we will discuss further in another paragraph, Mr. Winterberger remained with the Natives to answer their questions.

We returned after a sort absence and the Natives asked questions and argued over the use of the timber of which they seemd to have made the basis of their discussion. We listened to them and discussed the subject with them for make than two hours, realizing that the Native has a great desire to talk und argue over a matter before finally coming to a decision. About 10:30 or 10:45 we told the natives that they had better think the matter over and come the natives that they had better think the matter over and come back to us at 2:00 next afternoon. At the same time they were advised that unless the lease was executed with the Board they would be required to move. The next day at 2:00 o'clock Mr. Winterberger and the writer appeared at the church and met some six or eight Natives who are living on the tract and quite a considerable number of others who lived elsewhere in town. They were again disposed to argue over the matter of the use of the wood. They said that the other provisions of thelease were satisfactory but they must have wood. We informed them that that was out of the question a ml asked them what they proposed to do. Every one accounced tht they would sign the lesse if they could have the wood. The wrter told them through the interpreter that this was impossible and that there was no use of discussing the matter longer; if they changed their minds about signing the lease they were to come to us before we left town. We then left the church and the Natives seemed very considerably excited. We paid no further attention to them however, and the next morning several of them came to Mr. Winterberger with an interpreter and talked with him about the matter. Just before dinner on Wednesday afternoon Mr. Winterberger came to us and told us that he thought most of the natives had changed their minds and were ready to sign the leases or would at the close of the services that night. After the services wr. Winterberger 'phoned us that some of the Natives were ready and we went to the church where the leases were executed by the following:

Joseph Andrews, Native (formerly known as Andrew Jackson) - for Lot 8, Block 5.

George Kelley, (sometimes known as Kenny), for lot 1, in Block 5.

James Watson for parcel 33' wide and 140' deep, which is the
easterly 33 ft of 4th Ave. as shown on the plat. He already had
his house built there. It is probable that a little later on
he will move his place to a lot and leave that space for the
street.

Jim King, Lot 6, Block 3.

Joe Kadgkan, for lot 4, Block 2.
Charles James for Lot 1, in Block 4, and a parcel 27 ft wide
and 140 ft deep adjoining lot 1 on the east, being the westerly
portion of 4th Ave. projected, as he had heretofore built his house
on this tract.

Some of the other Natives were ready to execute the leases, but the hour was the after eleven and the blanks which we had typewriten being nearly exhausted it was decided to postpone the execution of any more leases until blanks could be prepared and sent to Mr. Winterberger. Two of these leases above mentioned were made during the morning, the balance were made in the afternoon after the services. We are assured that practically all of the Natives will execute leases and cause no trouble over the propostion. Today, since commencing to write this report Jim Young, a Native, who built a house on the tract, and who now lives in Juneau, same into the office here and executed a lease.

As soon as it is possible to have same made and checked up we willsend you copies of these leases, also copies of the leases which Mr. Winterger secures as soon as we can have copies made. We are furnishing Mr. Winterberger with a set of the remes already executed.

Every rative was told that he must pay the rental to Mr. Winterberger on or before the firstday of May each year. You will note that the form of leases puts the rental at \$1.00 per year and gives each rative a lease for five years. We could scarcely expect them to put the improvements on the tract for anything less than that term. Since returning to Juneau blank leases have been sent to Mr. Winterberger for the balance of the ratives. If, however, any of the ratives should fail within a reasonable time to execute the leases for the tracts on which they are living, we recommend that we be authorized to take legal steps to remove them as it is only fair to those that have signed, that any axx who attempt to ignore the Boards authority should be required to recognize it even if recourse has to be had through the Courts for that purposes

6. As to the towns occupancy of portions of the tract for school lands and fire station; the town of Haines occupies a tract on the Fort Seward Road about 170 feet wide by 60 feet deep for school purposes. The school having been built thereon some years ago around about 1902 or '03 as we understand it. The first afternoon we arrived at Haines we called on the Mayor and nembers of the mown council and explained to them the Board's desire that its title should be recognized. All the men with whom we talked acquiesced and suggested that they would like to have the writer appear before the council that evening which he did.

To his surprise there developed some oposition to the execution of the leases suggested for both the school ground and the tract the fire station standson, on Main Street, and one of the council made a motion to adjourn the matter for two weeks but before they had a chance to put the motion through, the writer succeeded in getting another hearing, and at his suggestion after some discussion and argument they decided to postponeethe matteruntil un Wednesday night of that week, two days hence, and hold a special meeting for the consideration of the subject. Between that time and the time for the Wednesday meeting the writer saw several of the members of the council and other citizens. At first we thought it would be advisable to attend the meeting ourselves owing to the fact that it was advertised as a public meeting. However, it occured to us that if we attended the council might think that the Board was extremely anxious over the matter and it might lead to adverse action by the council. We therefore talked with one of the members of the council who is friendly and told him what the situation was as we saw it, and that we could not attend. This turned out to be a wise course as a very large meeting was held and there was much discussion with reference to the relation of the Town and the Board by the citizens. The Council however, after a prolonged discussion which was participated in by the citizens generally, appointed a committee, to confer with us the next day. Committee consisted of Alderman Henson, Chairman, Virch and Creedon. At the same time a committee of citizens were appointed to ask us to present to the Board the matter of widening Main Street. This we will refer to in a special letter.

The next morning we went to the school house grounds with the committee, looked over the matter and thought it best to give the town some more ground extending the line 30 feet along the front and deepening the tract 30 feet. This took some 1/4 acre or more uncleared ground into the tract and the committee agreed that if we would do that they would clear the ground. That was one of the considerations named in thelease. We also provided, as you will note, that the lease was to run for a period of ten years. They are to fence the tract and keep the property in repair. The clearing of the ground in our opinion warrants our giving the lease for the time provided. We think it doubtful if the town will continue to use it for a very long period as they have an entire city block set apart for that purpose in the town itself The school house is maintained here to meet the convenience of children from the Post as it is about half way betweenthe post and the town.

Fire House

It was decided to lease to the Town about 1/3 of the lot on which the fire house stands. This structure is rather old and it is probable that the town will tear down this house and build a new fire station and city hall on a lot which it has, not far away. When that transpires the lease ends.

Leases covering these two pieces of ground were thereupon

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made and executed by the Mayor and the Clerk of the Town after having been approved by the committee. A copy of each of these leases will be forwarded to you under separate cover as soon as it is possible to make them.

- 7. Four parcels of the tract were occupied by White persons.
 I. The old building on the corner of Government Road am Main Street, Lot 1, Block 1, was occupied by a Mrs. Tompkins as a bakery under a verbal lease with Mr. Winterberger. A lease for this for one year at \$10.00 per month was executed. A copy of this lease will be forwarded as soon as it can be prepared.
- II. W. H. Merritt has a shack on the Government Road between the Fairfield House and the school house. Merritt has signified a willingness to execute a lease but he was not in town at the time, so we were unable to arrange this with him. As soonas he comes in Mr. Winterberger will see him.
- III. Tom Lehey has a blacksmith shop on Lot 5, in Block 2, It is now used as a garage. Lehey is in the mountains attending to a fox ranch and we could not see him but a person who uses the building as a garage has promised to send a lease to Mr. Lehey and ask him to sign it.
- Fairfield married a IV. John Fairfield Tract. Native woman a good many years ago and for many years has lived on this tract. Some year ago I talked with Mr. Fairfield about a lease. At that time he refused point blank to sign saying he lived there for 12 to 14 years and he regarded it as his own property. We were unable to see him at Haines before several days after our arrival. Obžviously he tried to keep out of my way. Finally Mr. Winterberger made an appointment for us and Mr. Fairfield came to my room at the hotel. After a prolonged discussion of the matter in which I told him that it was not the Board's purpose to drive him off but that the Board wished its title recognized and that the Board would give him a 10 year lease, he seemed to change his mind about the matter. I also told him that if he wanted a piece of ground in addition to that upon which his house stood so that he might have a place to cultivate that it could be arranged. This seemed to please him and it was arranged, after we had a talk with Mr. Winterberger, that Fairfield should have about 1-1/2 acres most of which is brush land, and which he agreed to clear and put under cultivation in two years, he to pay for the same at the rate of \$5.00 per annum and to fence the tract and keep it in good condition. He executed a lease for each place and told Mr. Winterberger for us that he was entirely satisfied and appreciated the Board's kindness in the matter.

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We are glad to be able to report that the entire matter has been adjusted without any ill feeling or dissatisfaction on the part of anyone up to the present time. Copies of these leases will be forwarded as soon as can be prepared.

Yours very truly gold,

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JUNEAU, ALASKA

May 13, 1916.

Board of Home Missions, 156 - Fifth Ave., New York City.

Attention Mr. Olin

Gentlemen:

RE SOCIAL HALL

The question of the disposition of the Social Hall in the Native village at Haines has been the subject of correspondence between Mr. Olin, Dr. Condit, Mr. Winterberger and his predecessor. Just who the legal owner of this property is does not seem to be clear and I have been unable to find any record on the subject. I take it that the money for the improvement of this building came from the Board of Church Erection, but whether the title to the same is in the name of that Board or the Board of Home Missions I was unable to ascertain when in Haines a few days since. The old Native Kaska from whom the tract was originally purchased was anxious to buy it offering to pay \$150.00, paying \$100.00 down and \$50.00 on or before October 1st. An examination of this property which I made with Mr. Winterberger confirmed the opinion which both Mr. Winterberger and Dr. Comdit explained to me that \$150.00 was an adequate price, and it was decided that Te should enter into an agreement with Kaska, acting for the Board, to sell the property to him on his terms as indicated above; then communicate with you and if the Board of Home Missions had not the title, then to recommend to the Board of Church Erection that it deed the property over. I therefore executed a contract in the name of the Board of Home Missions, with Kaska, to deed the property to him for the price named and he paid me \$100.00. At the same time I prepared and executed a quit claim deed for the property and placed it with Mr. B A. Barnett to lie in escrow with him until Kaska paid the balance.

I am confident that in a view of all the circumstances and of the condition of the building itself that the amount offered, that is, \$150.00, is a reasonable price and would recommend that this Board or the Board of Church Erection, whichever may be the legal owner of the title, ratify this action. If the latter Board is the legal owner, I suggest that they make a quit claim deed to Kaska to conform to that which I executed, and a copy of which is being forwarded under separate cover.

Yours very truly,

GUNNISON & ROBERTS

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OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S A.

HEADQUARTERS
No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY
JUNEAU, ALASKA

May 18,1916

Mr. H.C.Olin.

156 5th Avenue.

New York.

Dear Mr. Olin:

Mr. Winterberger, at Haines, is much disturbed because the implements and harness for his farm have not arrived.

In referring to my files I find that under date of
March 10,1916, Mr. Winterberger sent an order for the implements and
harness to your office, as an enclosure in his letter to you of that
date. This order, he supposed, had been forwarded by your office to
the Polson Implement Co., of Seattle, and was to be the official instruction to the company to ship the goods.

I am writing to the Polson company for an explanation of the delay in shipping and in the mean time refer the matter to you to ascertain if the order was forwarded to the Polson Co.

on account of the inability of the shipping companies to furnish freight space the shipping of cow and horse has also been delayed. The horse has not arrived yet but will go through Juneau on the Jefferson today. The cow arrived at Haines only a week ago. The pigs are still in a condition of "non est" in so far as Mr. Winterberger is concerned. He is therefore somewhat disappointed. I trust that all will yet prove satisfactory.

May I ask whether the church (3d) of Siouz City, Iowa, remitted on account of the Haines farm. They promised \$25.

Cordially yours,

Janua H. Consit.